

THE WEATHER

Fair today; cloudy tomorrow; moderate temperature; moderate, variable winds. Highest temperature yesterday, 37; low, 17.

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THE WASHINGTON HERALD

Theodore Roosevelt

You cannot fail to worship his memory after reading his letters to his children. Every morning in The Herald.

PALMER GIVES LIE TO COAL OWNERS

LLOYD GEORGE URGES 2 IRISH PARLIAMENTS

Premier Outlines Proposed Solution of Home Rule Problem.

REPUBLIC TO BE FOUGHT

Reference to American Civil War Interpreted as Bid For Our Sympathies.

London, Dec. 22.—During the debate that followed Premier Lloyd George's outline of the new Irish bill in commons today, Col. Josiah Wedgwood suggested a plebiscite on the question whether the Irish people desire to continue to be attached to the British Empire or want an independent republic.

Col. Wedgwood proposed that President Wilson be asked to superintend the plebiscite.

The plan as outlined by the Premier is unacceptable to the Sinn Fein, but acceptable to the Carsonites. This was evident from comment in the house lobbies immediately after adjournment.

London, Dec. 22.—Two separate parliaments—one for Ulster and the other for the south of Ireland—were a council elected by both serving as a connecting link—that is, in a nutshell, the new solution of the Irish problem offered by Premier Lloyd George in the house of commons today.

The bill comprising it will not be introduced until the next session, early in 1920. Today the premier merely gave an outline of it.

The two legislatures are to be clothed with full constituent powers to create one single body for the whole of parliament "to discharge all powers not specifically reserved to the imperial parliament."

Chasm Must Be Bridged. But that is left to the future and will be possible only if the chasm is bridged.

1920 A. F. of L. Sessions At Montreal in June

Montreal, Que., Dec. 22.—The 1920 convention of the American Federation of Labor will be held in Montreal, starting June 14 and lasting two weeks, according to a telegram received by local labor leaders today from Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor. About 300 delegates will attend, Morrison said.

Mine Workers to Convene Jan. 5

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 22.—The convention of the United Mine Workers of America will be held in Columbus beginning January 5. Definite announcement to this effect was made at headquarters of the United Mine Workers this afternoon, when Secretary William Green began preparation for the convention call, which will be sent out tomorrow.

AT WASHINGTON THEATERS

Shubert-Belasco—Jane Cowl in "Smilin' Through."
Poli's—"Zip, Goes a Million."
National—"The Better Ole."
Shubert-Garrick—"Piccadilly Jim."
Loew's Palace—Marguerite Clark in "A Girl Named Mary."
Crandall's Metropolitan—"The Girl from Outside."
Moore's Rialto—Katherine McDonald in "The Thunderbolt."
Crandall's Knickerbocker—J. Warren Kerrigan in "The Joyous Liar."
B. F. Keith's—Vaudeville.
Crandall's—Constance Talmadge in "Scandal."
Moore's Garden—"Everywoman."
Moore's Strand—"Desert Gold."
Loew's Columbia—"The Cinema Murder," with Marion Davies.
Cosmos—Continuous vaudeville and pictures.
Gayety—Burlesque; "Oh, Girl" Company.
Folly—Burlesque; "Blue Birds."
The Coliseum—Roller Skating.

French Children Chant Carols for Fallen Defenders

Paris, Dec. 22.—Every night this week there rises from within the shell-battered walls of the roofless Cathedral of Rheims a solemn, touching chant.

Fifty little French children gather there and sing Christmas carols, and prayers of gratitude for victory and blessings are implored for the souls of the fallen heroes of France.

Big Doings For Pershing At Laclede

General to Meet Home Folks at Opera House. They'll All Be There.

Laclede, Mo., Dec. 22.—Laclede is jubilant tonight. Her 700 people are all excited. Tomorrow their most cherished desire will be realized—they will welcome home their favorite son, Gen. John J. Pershing, better known as "Johnny" in the village.

Ever since the day when the wires flashed the news that Gen. Pershing had been appointed commander-in-chief this little town has been living in a state of expectancy.

Not long ago word came to Mayor Ed Allen that Gen. Pershing might be expected here about December 22. Preparations were made for a monster reception.

Waiting for Train. When the General arrives tomorrow the whole town, headed by Mayor Ed—a personal friend of the General's and entitled to call him "Johnny," for they were boys together—will greet the General and his staff at the station.

If the train is late there will be a reception at the opera house in the morning—then Mayor Ed and a number of personal friends will be with him.

INQUIRY STARTED IN QUADRUPEL MURDER

Clyde, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Inquiry started today into the murder of four babies, a girl and three boys, whose bodies were found in a box on the Erie Canal, established the fact that the victims were quadruplets.

Physicians who examined the little bodies, discovered last night by boy skaters on the canal, declared the babies were undoubtedly born of one mother and that all had been murdered. It was impossible to determine the nationality of the babies, who were two of three days old when slain.

Girl and Chauffeur Held In Robbery of Veteran

Gladys Marie Weber and John L. Knighton, charged with robbing Joseph Rogers, a wounded soldier, were held for the grand jury in \$250 bonds each by Judge McMahon in Police Court yesterday. It is alleged the man and young woman robbed the overseas veteran of \$150 and checks for \$17 and \$50 and then took him in an automobile to a lonely road beyond Anacostia, where they left him by the roadside in a semi-conscious condition.

Lawyer John C. Foster, who appeared for Knighton, waived preliminary hearing for his client.

Lawyer Drops Dead in Court.

New York, Dec. 22.—William Kirk, a Fulton street lawyer, dropped dead in Supreme Court here today just as he was about to speak in a case which was being tried. Doctors attributed his death to apoplexy.

62 LICENSES TO WED DAY'S TOTAL AS COL. KROLL MOPS MOIST BROW

Cold it may be, but heads of perspiration were standing on the brow of Col. William A. Kroll, District marriage license clerk, when he finished his day's scribbling yesterday.

Also he had a touch of writer's cramp after issuing sixty-two licenses, thereby breaking all records for a single day during 1919.

"Sure! It's that way every year," the colonel replied when it was suggested Christmas accounts for the raid on Cupid's section of the court house.

When the colonel issued fifty-eight licenses the day before Thanksgiving he thought it would stand as a record for the year. He explained that a rush for licenses comes every year just before Christmas, but this time it was a little ahead of schedule.

COST CAMPAIGN SHOWS RESULTS, PALMER STATES

Prices No Greater in November This Year Than In August.

FIRST TIME IN YEARS

Downward Trend Expected After Jan. 1 Which Government Will Speed.

Results of the government's campaign to reduce the high cost of living, begun last August, are set forth in a statement made public last night by Attorney General Palmer.

"The statement asserts that 'the official data clearly show the significant fact that the cost of living as indicated by retail prices was no greater in November of this year than it was in August, while during former years, extending back to 1911, the returns for November show a considerable increase over the August returns.'"

Advanced in Last Few Years. It points out that Bureau of Labor statistics show that in the fall months of 1916, 1917 and 1918 there were advances in retail food prices of 13, 18 and 16 points respectively, while in 1919 there was no upward trend of this nature.

Promise of favorable results in the

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PADEREWSKI TO RETURN TO U. S.

Ex-Premier of Poland Will Resume Career as Pianist In America.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Ignace Paderewski, who recently resigned as premier of Poland, will return to America.

Not only that, but he will also return to the domain of music, in which he is one of the kings, according to a dispatch from Warsaw.

Friends of M. Paderewski are quoted as saying the ex-premier told them he is weary of political strife and is satisfied with having helped to form a new united Poland, and, having got it started upon a new historic course, now retires to private life.

London, Dec. 22.—Dispatches from Warsaw today said Ignace Jan Paderewski had taken his seat in the Diet as an ordinary member, sitting with the Coalitionists.

Soviet Government Offers Prize for Tank Construction

The Soviet government in Russia is offering prizes of 50,000 to 450,000 rubles for plans for the construction of military tanks, it was learned at the State Department yesterday. The prizes are being offered through the newspapers in Petrograd.

Advices from abroad stated also that on November 19 the Bolshevik army captured Paida, a railroad junction point on the line to Tomsk, and leading to the belief that the troops stationed west of Paida are having to retire.

Rites for Campanini.

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After receiving his license and Col. Kroll's attendant "good luck" pleasantry, a prospective Benedict of dingy hue soberly replied: "Thank yah, suh! Thank yah, suh! Ah may need a lot o' luck. Ah promised to marry this hyah gal las' Christmas, but change o' sho' Ah want a marry hah now. Jus' takin' uh chance, tha's all."

Princess Pat Presents Heir To Hero Hubby



PRINCESS VICTORIA PATRICIA

London, Dec. 22.—Lady Patricia Ramsay, formerly Princess Patricia of Connaught, gave birth to a son yesterday.

Princess Patricia was married to Commander Alexander Robert Maule Ramsay, of the royal navy, February 27 last.

She was the only member of her family to marry a "commoner." Her elder sister, Margaret Victoria, is now crown princess of Sweden, and her brother, Prince Arthur Frederick, married the Duchess of Fife.

Commander Ramsay was with the British fleet in the campaign of the Dardanelles, 1914-1916, and there won his "royal decoration," the Order of Distinguished Service.

FREED ON BOND IN DANSEY CASE

White and Mrs. Jones Released After Habeas Corpus Proceedings.

Mays Landing, N. J., Dec. 22.—Charles S. White and Mrs. Edith Jones today left the jail here, where they had been held on the charge of murdering Billy Dansey, and were taken home. Bail of \$7,500 for White and \$2,500 for Mrs. Jones, alleged accessory after the fact, was furnished.

White's father, Edward White, took his son and housekeeper to Hammond in his automobile.

Both were admitted to bail at the suggestion of Prosecutor Gaskill after the defendant had brought habeas corpus proceedings, as Gaskill declared he was unwilling to make his evidence public at this time.

THREE CHANGE PLEAS IN NEWBERRY CASE

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 22.—Three men, indicted on election fraud charges with United States Senator Truman H. Newberry, today changed their pleas from "mute" to "not guilty." The men thereby became passive in the defense, making no attempt to dispute the charges.

The men who changed their pleas were August Field, of Manistee, Mich., hotel proprietor; Charles B. Matthews, Ludington, Mich., prosecuting attorney for Mason County, and Peter B. Brady, of Cass Village, Mich., charged with tampering with the Indian vote.

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Prince to Visit Canada Next Year.

Toronto, Ontario, Dec. 22.—The Prince of Wales is coming to Canada again next summer, according to Mr. Noel Marshall, head of the Canadian Red Cross, who returned to Toronto yesterday from England.

"The Prince of Wales sent for me to visit him in Buckingham Palace, and said to me as I was going away, 'I will see you in Canada next year.'"

Limits King's Power.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Premier Nitti unexpectedly announced in the Chamber of Deputies that a bill would be introduced allocating to Parliament the right to make war or peace—a prerogative hitherto held only by the crown. The announcement was greeted with wild cheers.

Murderer Electrocuted. Rockville, Pa., Dec. 22.—Bromeslaw Bednolski, 27, native of Poland, was electrocuted at the penitentiary early today for a murder in Beaver county in 1917. The body was interred at Rockview later in the day.

NEW SHOT GIRL WHEN SHE JILTED HIM SAYS SLEUTH

Detective on Witness Stand Re-enacts Tragedy of July 4, Last.

AGAINST INSANITY PLEA

Mrs. Sibert, Friend of New's Family, Tells of Conversation in Jail.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—Harry S. New, holding a revolver in his hand, asked Frieda Lesser, his 15-year-old sweetheart, to marry him, according to testimony given in New's trial for murder here today.

Miss Lesser, starting at the weapon menacing her, refused, and New shot her dead.

That was the version of Miss Lesser's death given by Detective Herman Cline, when called to the witness stand. He based his story on what he said New told him at 4 a. m. July 4, when New delivered the body of Miss Lesser to the Los Angeles police station.

Mrs. L. N. Sibert, formerly of Indianapolis, testified New had protested in her presence against an insanity plea to be made in his defense. New maintained, she said, he was entirely sane. Mrs. Sibert said New had told her he killed Frieda Lesser.

New said Senator New, of Indiana, was his father, Cline testified. "He said that he had been going with Frieda Lesser for three or four months. He told me he called at the Lesser home on the afternoon of July 4. Then, he said, they reached Topogano canyon at 10 o'clock that night and both got in the back seat of the automobile.

"He said they talked for a while and that she then said she would not marry him, but was going to have an operation performed, that night by a Mrs. Saunders, a nurse, who was staying at her home."

"He said that he told her he would prevent it by keeping her out all night, that he then reached into the coat pocket and got the revolver and asked her if her refusal to marry him was final.

"When she said it was, he shot her. Then his first thought was to get her to a hospital when he realized what he had done. But when he felt her hand he knew she was dead and he covered her up."

"After driving around for a while he brought the body to the police station and gave himself up."

Following this testimony, a written transcript of New's conversation at the police station was read to the jury, covering much the same ground as Cline's recital.

\$51,875,796 Gold Shipped. The Department of Commerce yesterday announced that gold exports for the month of November were valued at \$51,875,796 and imports at \$2,366,770, while silver exports were \$19,632,177 and imports \$7,048,621.

Pupils Starve, Are Cold; Business Men Start Probe

Chamber of Commerce to Probe Reports of Suffering Children and Lack of Facilities in Buildings.

Reports that many public school children of the District are improperly nourished, inadequately clad, and suffering from lack of medical attention will be investigated by a special committee of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, headed by Dr. C. R. Dufour, chairman of the public health committee of the chamber.

Under Dr. Dufour will work Dr. Lewis J. Battle, Dr. J. D. Rogers, P. T. Moran and B. R. Stickney.

Ported to Close. Portable school buildings are said to be generally uncomfortable for occupation, especially by small children. Several times during the recesses of the session.

STEAMER BURNED AT SEA Off Manila; Crew Saved

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 22.—The steamer Firwood has been burned at sea off Manila Bay and is a total loss, according to reports received by the Merchants' Exchange here today. The crew is reported safe at Callo.

The steamer Crown of Galicia, it is reported, has arrived at Panama with fire in her forward hold.

FAVOR GERMAN MONARCHY.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—A monster gathering of German army and navy officers here yesterday adopted a resolution in favor of restoring the monarchy. "Not we, but our happy grandchildren will see the Prussian Eagle again soaring skyward," says the resolution.

Palmer Serves Notice Coal Agreement Stands

"The miners went back to work in obedience to the law and the orders of the court without having their demands granted. They relied, as they had a right to rely, upon the promise of the President that immediately upon complete resumption of operations a commission would be appointed to take up the matters at issue. The officers of the government had an equal right to rely upon the good faith of the operators in their previous declarations of agreement with this program.

"The government will not assume that the operators will break faith, and ways will be found to see that all parties keep faith in this vitally important transaction.

"The commission will proceed with its work and I have no doubt that upon further reflection the operators will see the wisdom of hearty co-operation with it."

NEW YEAR SHIP TRIES BOOZE BAN

Shipping Board Vessel to Sail With Revelers, Defying Prohibition Law.

A furious assault on the passenger offices of the Munson Brothers' Line by former habitués of Broadway hoping to obtain bookings for the steamship Moccasin is expected, as soon as it is made known that when the vessel clears New York, on December 27, she will be loaded to her hatches with the finest stock of wines and liquors procurable in this country.

It is said that, following the precedent set by the Manchuria, her steward will open the cases and serve drinks at the table and over a bar as soon as the three-mile limit has been reached. The Moccasin will go to Rio and other South American ports.

The peculiar significance attached here to the sailing of the Moccasin is that she will be the first government-controlled vessel to make a test of the validity of the prohibition enforcement laws on the high seas, since she is one of the Shipping Board fleet which has been allocated to the Munson Line.

Assistant Prohibition Commissioner K. Gaylor admitted today that he had no right to interfere with the sale of liquor on privately owned American vessels, but the establishment of bars on Shipping Board vessels was a problem he had not anticipated and on which he would have to ask a legal opinion.

If no restriction is placed on the selling of liquor on board the Moccasin, there are eighty passenger ships of the wooden fleet now vainly awaiting assignments which might be put into the pleasant and profitable business of playing an excursion route between New York and Bermuda or some other convenient point.

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WILL COMPEL BOSSES TO "KEEPFAITH"

Attorney General Declares Denial of Agreement to Accept Strike Settlement Is "Merest Quibble" and "Unworthy of Industry."

ASSERTS PRESIDENT'S PLAN WAS UNALTERED

Employers Remained Silent Until After Men Were Back in Mines, Says Cabinet Member—Commission to Go on With Work.

Attorney General Palmer issued a statement last night scoring the coal operators for denying that they had agreed to accept the President's plan for adjusting the coal strike troubles.

The Attorney General says the operators' statement, issued Sunday night, is "the merest quibble" and "unworthy of the representatives of a great industry."

Contradicting the operators, he asserts that the memorandum signed by himself and acting President Lewis of the miners did not change the President's proposal.

"Clamored" for Arbitration. After citing successive statements made by the operators, Mr. Palmer declares they had "clamored" from the outset for arbitration, and through their representative in Indianapolis, agreed to the President's plan for a special coal commission.

"The operators remained absolutely silent until after the men were back in the mines," says Attorney General Palmer. "Then for the first time they began to object."

The Attorney General declares the government expects the operators to "keep faith" and that if necessary, means will be taken accordingly, and that the commission will proceed with its work.

His statement follows:

"The statement of the executive committee of coal operators, issued last night, in which they deny that they had agreed to accept the President's plan for adjustment of the differences between the miners and operators is the merest quibble and quite unworthy of the representatives of a great industry. I cannot believe that the scale committee of the operators, which I understand will meet in Cleveland tomorrow, will stand for any such repudiation of the position which their representatives have repeatedly taken."

"On October 15, in a letter to the Secretary of Labor, which was submitted to the joint conference of miners and operators, the President proposed to refer the matters in dispute to a board of arbitration for determination." In a public statement, the operators accepted this proposal, using the following words:

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